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SUBJECT: CIVIL AIR OPERATIONS PENDING PROTOCOL RENEWAL

REF: TELCON MATLOCK/BARRY APRIL 4

1. AEROFLOT OPERATED TWO SCHEDULED FLIGHTS PLUS AN EXTRA SECTION" DURING WEEK OF MARCH 30-APRIL 5. SOVIET OPERATIONS DURING THIS WEEK DID NOT REPEAT NOT VIOLATE PROVISIONS OF AEROFLOT'S FOREIGN AIR CARRIER (402) PERMIT FROM THE CAB.

2. PUBLISHED AEROFLOT SCHEDULES (APRIL OFFICIAL AIRLINE GUIDE) SHOW DURING MONTH OF APRIL THREE FLIGHTS A WEEK TO US: SUNDAY, MOSCOW/LONDON/NYC; WEDNESDAY, MOSCOW/PARIS/NYC; AND FRIDAY, MOSCOW/PARIS/WASHINGTON. AEROFLOT APPARENTLY DOES NOT PLAN TO BEGIN FOURTH FREQUENCY UNTIL MAY 27. SINCE SCHEDULED WEEK RUNS SUNDAY THROUGH SATURDAY,
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AEROFLOT OPERATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH OAG SCHEDULE WOULD

RESULT IN FRIDAY APRIL 11 FLIGHT VIOLATING AEROFLOT'S 402
PERMIT. CANCELLATION OF ANY ONE OF THESE PROJECTED FLIGHTS
WOULD AVERT PROSPECT OF VIOLATION.

3. ALTERNATIVES OPEN TO AEROFLOT SHOULD SOVIETS DESIRE
TO OPERATE THIRD WEEKLY FLIGHT DURING APRIL 6-12 SCHEDULED
WEEK IN ABSENCE OF PROTOCOL RENEWAL ARE FOLLOWING: (1)
REQUEST THAT CAB AUTHORIZE ONE ADDITIONAL FREQUENCY.
DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS THAT BOARD WOULD BE RELUCTANT TO
REPLY FAVORABLY IN ABSENCE OF PROTOCOL RENEWAL; (2)
REQUEST PERMISSION OF PAN AMERICAN TO OPERATE EXTRA SEC-
TION ON ONE OF FIRST TWO FLIGHTS. EXTRA SECTION MUST BY
DEFINITION BE OPERATED AT SAME TIME AS SCHEDULED FREQUENCY
AND NOT ONE OR TWO DAYS LATER.

5. DEPARTMENT WILL CABLE CIRCULAR 175 AUTHORITY SOONEST.
EMBASSY SHOULD PROCEED WITH NEGOTIATIONS PER SEPTEL. INGERSOLL

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